

mis- re- un- Prefixes and Suffixes -er -ful -est

A prefix is a syllable attached to the beginning of a word. The prefix changes the meaning of the word in some way. Read the sentences below. Find the word with a prefix in each sentence, and underline the prefix.

1. It was unbelievable that Arthur won the essay writing contest.
2. Arthur had to rewrite his essay on note cards just in case he forgot it.
3. Arthur did not want to misplace his note cards, so he checked his pocket to be sure that they were there.

A suffix is a syllable attached to the end of a word. The suffix changes the meaning of the word in some way. Read the sentences below. Find the word with a suffix in each sentence, and underline the suffix.

1. D.W. said Muffy's house is bigger than the White House.
2. Francine explained that the Washington Monument is the tallest building in Washington.
3. Arthur's trip to Washington, D.C. was a real adventure.

Write a sentence with the words below. Then add a prefix or suffix from the top of the page that makes the word into a new sentence. Notice how the meaning of the word changes!

sample A)

new sentence

sample A)

new sentence B)